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Governor Jan Brewer Announces Appointment of Richard T. Myers to the Arizona Board of Regents

PHOENIX – At her State of the State presentation this afternoon in Tucson, Governor Jan Brewer announced the appointment of Richard T. Myers as the newest member of the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR). Mr. Myers will replace Fred Boice, whose term on the board expires January 18, 2010. Boice served for eight years beginning in January 2002.

"I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Myers as the newest member of the Arizona Board of Regents," said Governor Brewer. "Richard brings to the Board years of experience in executive management, project management skills and international business expertise. As a part-time faculty instructor at the University of Arizona, Mr. Myers knows the value of educational leadership when it comes to preparing students for successful business and leadership careers."

"We are pleased and excited about the Governor's appointment of Richard Myers," said Arizona Board of Regents President Ernest Calderón. "He has a proven track record of service to the community. The Governor's appointment of Mr. Myers shows she is very serious about supporting higher education."

Mr. Myers currently serves as the Chief Operating Officer of Critical Path Institute, which provides direction to a coalition against major diseases. He is also a part-time faculty instructor at the University of Arizona, where he co-teaches a graduate level management of technology course.

Mr. Myers has extensive experience in the private sector, having retired with IBM after 25 years of service. His additional private sector experience includes Vice President and Tucson Site General Manager of Enterprise Storage Development; and Vice President of Development for IBM Printing Systems Division in Boulder, Colorado.

Among his many accomplishments, Mr. Myers served as co-chair of the citizen's committee for the Regional Transportation Authority, charged with developing a comprehensive 20-year transportation plan.

Mr. Myers possesses a long list of community contributions, which include serving as a Board Member of the Science Foundation of Arizona; a member of the search committee for the University of Arizona president; Board Member of the Southern Arizona Leadership Council; Board Member of the Women's Foundation of Southern Arizona; a member of the policy committee of the Tucson Airport Authority; chair of a citizen's committee which resulted in new procurement practices for Pima County; United Way community campaign chair; led committee to review finances of largest local K-12 school district to make recommendations for change; and serves as a Board Member of the Downtown Tucson Partnership.

Mr. Myers received his Bachelor of Science in Engineering Degree from the University of Alabama in Huntsville. He went on to complete the Arizona Executive Program at the University of Arizona.

Mr. Myers replaces retiring ABOR member Fred Boice. "I would like to thank Mr. Boice, who has graciously served the citizens of our State as a member of the Arizona Board of Regents since 2002," said Governor Brewer. "His dedication and commitment to education in Arizona is highly commendable."

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